

Claims 13-15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph for insufficient antecedent basis for “the plurality of base stations” in line 22 of independent claim 13. Claim 13 has been amended to address this rejection, and applicants submit that the rejection does not apply to the amended claim. The phrase objected to by the Examiner actually does not appear in line 22 as alleged in the Office Action. The first occurrence of the phrase “the plurality of base stations” in claim 13 is in line 4, and in that location the phrase as been corrected to read --a plurality of base stations--. Therefore, applicants submit that all subsequent recitations of the plurality of base stations have proper antecedent basis. The rejection is deemed to be overcome with this amendment.

Claims 13-15 were indicated allowable if the §112 rejection of claim 13 was overcome. Applicants submit that the rejection has been overcome with the amendment made herein and that claims 13-15 should now be allowed.

Based on the above, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance, and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner believes that a conference would be of value in expediting the prosecution of this application, she is invited to telephone undersigned counsel for applicant.

Respectfully submitted,

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